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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This Response to Restriction Requirement is submitted in response to an initial Office

Action dated October 18, 2004 in connection with the above-referenced application. In the Office

Action, the Examiner has identified two (2) groups and required election of one such group for

purposes of examination herein. The Groups are identified as follows:

- I. Claims 1-14, drawn to an insert for positioning in a data signal transmission media plug receiving space of a modular housing, classified in class 439, subclass 676; and
- II. Claims 15-20, drawn to a system for compensating cross-talk noise, classified in439, subclass 941.

Applicant hereby elects Group I (i.e., claims 1-14) for examination in the present application.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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The subject matter of Group II, i.e., claims 15-20, is hereby withdrawn from consideration in the present application. However, applicant expressly reserves the right to pursue this withdrawn subject matter by way of one or more divisional applications, in due course. Prompt action on the merits of the present application, based on the foregoing election, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November \geq , 2004

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